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H. R. 1093

To amend the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001 to change the manner of
allocation of first responder grant funds.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 3, 2005

Mr. FOSSELLA (for himself and Mr. SWEENEY) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

A BILL

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manner of allocation of first responder grant funds.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Responsible Funding
5 for First Responders Act of 2005”.

6 **SEC. 2. ALLOCATION OF GRANT FUNDS.**

7 Section 1014 of the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001 (42
8 U.S.C. 3714) is amended—

9 (1) by striking subsection (c)(3);

1 (2) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-
2 lows:

3 “(b) USES OF GRANT AMOUNTS.—Grants under this
4 section may be used—

5 “(1) to purchase needed equipment and to pro-
6 vide training and technical assistance to State and
7 local first responders;

8 “(2) to construct, develop, expand, modify, op-
9 erate, or improve facilities to provide training or as-
10 sistance to State and local first responders; and

11 “(3) if 100 or more personnel in the relevant
12 jurisdiction are dedicated to counterterrorism and
13 intelligence activities (including detection of, collec-
14 tion and analysis of intelligence relating to, inves-
15 tigation of, prevention of, and interdiction of sus-
16 pected terrorist activities), to provide reimburse-
17 ment, consistent with the state plan as approved by
18 the Secretary, for expenses related to—

19 “(A) such personnel; and

20 “(B) units dedicated to such activities.”;

21 (3) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-
22 section (d); and

23 (4) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-
24 lowing new subsection:

25 “(c) BASIS FOR GRANT AWARDS.—

1 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Grants under this section
2 shall be awarded based on a quantitative assessment
3 of risk for three categories: threat, vulnerability, and
4 consequences.

5 “(2) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not later
6 than March 1 of each year, the Office shall submit
7 to Congress the quantitative assessment required by
8 paragraph (1).”.

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